

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A computer program product, comprising:  
a computer-readable medium containing instructions for controlling a computer system to perform a method of delaying an operation, the method comprising:  
requesting that a user input a delay criteria after an initiation of an operation; and  
delaying performance by the computer system of the operation until the delay criteria has been met;  
wherein the operation comprises at least one operation chosen from the group consisting of a print command, an e-mailing distribution, a software installation, a file transfer protocol upload, a web site posting and an internet phone call.
2. (Original) The computer program product of claim 1, wherein the delay criteria is at least one chosen from the group consisting of a time interval, a set time, and the occurrence of a particular condition.
3. (Original) The computer-program product of claim 2, wherein the particular condition comprises detection of an idle printer.
4. (Original) The program product medium of claim 2, wherein the particular condition comprises detection of bandwidth availability on a network connection.
5. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the operation comprises printing a document.

6. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the delaying step comprises storing the document in a job store.
7. (Original) The computer program product of claim 6, wherein the job store comprises at least one item chosen from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide area network, and an internet storage location.
8. (Currently amended) A method for controlling a computer system to perform a delayed operation comprising:
  - requesting that a user input a delay criteria after an initiation of an operation;
  - and
  - delaying performance of the operation until the delay criteria has been met;wherein the operation comprises at least one operation chosen from the group consisting of a print command, an e-mailing distribution, a software installation, a file transfer protocol upload, a web site posting an internet phone call.
9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the delay criteria is at least one chosen from the group consisting of a time interval, a set time and the occurrence of a particular condition.
10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the particular condition comprises detection of an idle printer.
11. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the particular condition comprises detection of bandwidth availability on a network connection.
12. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the operation comprises printing a document.
13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the delaying step comprises storing the document in a job store.
14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the job store comprises at least one item from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer

memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide are network and an internet storage location.

15. (Currently amended) A computing system comprising:
  - a processor;
  - a user-programmable delaying device to receive a delay criteria after an initiation of an operation, the delaying device operably connected to the processor;
  - a storage device operably connected to the processor; and
  - a printer operably connected to the storage device.
16. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed by a user-programmable time interval.
17. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed until a user-programmable time.
18. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed until the occurrence of a user-programmable condition.
19. (Original) The system of claim 15, further comprising a job store.
20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the job store comprises at least one item chosen from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide area network and an internet storage location.